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SUBJ: BHUTTO CALLS FOR PEACE WITH HIS NEIGHBORS

1. PRIMIN BHUTTO WAS GUEST OF HONOR AT NOVEMBER 3 DINNER HOSTED BY ISLAMABAD DIPLOMATIC CORPS. REPLYING TO TOAST BY DEAN OF CORPS (PHILIPPINE AMBASSADOR), BHUTTO PLEDGED THAT "PAKISTAN IS DETERMINED TO PROMOTE PEACE IN THE SUBCONTINENT . . TO THE BEST OF ITS ABILITY AND CAPACITY." SAYING THAT PAKISTAN WAS PROUD TO MAINTAIN GOOD RELATIONS WITH COUNTRIES REPRESENTED BY THOSE PRESENT, HE ADDED THAT IF AMBASSADORS OF THE TWO OTHER STATES OF THE SUBCONTINENT (I.E. INDIA AND BANGLADESH) HAD ALSO BEEN PRESENT, THEY WOULD HAVE BEEN WELCOMED "BECAUSE WE WANT TO HAVE GOOD RELATIONS WITH THEM ALSO".

2. FOLLOWING HIS REMARKS, BHUTTO PRESENTED ROSES TO SEVERAL OF MOST SENIOR AMBASSADORS (OR THEIR WIVES) AT HEAD TABLE. HE WOUND UP RRESENTING WHAT HE DESCRIBED AS "THE BEST ROSE" TO AFGHANISTAN AMBASSADOR WHOM HE EMBRACED IN A FRIENDLY MANNER. LATTER
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GESTURE WIDELY INTERPRETED AS SYMBOL OF BHUTTO'S DESIRE FOR

GOOD RELATIONS LITH GOA, AND WAS IN FACT WELCOMED BY AFGHAN
AMBASSADOR.
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